

PAPERS LAID ON THE TABLE

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MR. SPEAKER.—Papers laid. *

CALLING ATTENTION TO MATTERS OF URGENT PUBLIC IMPORTANCE

(i) **Waiving of penal interest an arrears due to the Housing Board.**

SRI B. H. LAKSHMANAIAH.—Sir, I call the attention of the Minister for Housing and Urban Development to the inconvenience caused to the allottees, in not giving effect to the order waiving the penal interest to the persons who have paid the arrears to the Housing Board within three months.

SRI DHARAM SINGH.—(Minister for Housing & Urban Development Mr. Speaker, Sir, I wish to make the following statement.

The Karnataka Housing Board decided to launch a Collection Drive from 1-6-1980 to 31-8-1980 by allowing a rebate in the Penal Interest to the loanees of Cash Loans and Allotment Loans who pay the entire arrears outstanding within that period of 3 months. This proposal of the Board was approved by Government and accordingly the Housing Board notified on 29-5-1980 a rebate in the Penal Interest to the extent of the difference between the Penal Interest and the Simple Interest on the over due instalments as at the end of their last annuity period if the entire arrears of instalments with Simple Interest is paid in full on or before 31-8-1980. When this period was over, Several representations were received from the allottees and loanees urging for extension of time. On these requests, the time was extended finally upto end of 31-3-1981. The Board's notification in this behalf was published in all leading newspapers. The relevant extract of the very first Notification by the Housing Board issued on 29-5-80 read as follows